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Hello! I just got here! I AM SO CONFUSED!

It's okay! Spidey, his maybe-kind-of-sister Teresa and the Human Torch are caught up in a super villain team-up between the Kingpin and the Tinkerer!

Woah. What are those baddies doing together?

We're not entirely sure yet! Spidey wasn't able to find any evidence of the Kingpin actually committing any crimes.

Good for him! What about the Tinkerer?

As you know, he is a bad guy. He has brother, the Mason, who is a good guy! He helps super heroes with their gear! So there's a sibling theme going on.

What's the deal with Spidey's sister?

Well, Teresa is on the run from a rogue S.H.I.E.L.D. outfit called THE GREY BLADE, and is lying low with Peter, who is trying to make a relationship work with a stand-up comedian!

Oh my gosh, don't tell me: Spider-Man is dating Tig Notaro??? Maria Bamford? Ali Wong?

Well, no. It's the up-and-coming rising star stand-up comedian Rebecca London!

I love when Peter dates Rebeccas.

Okay? Anyway, it's not actually Peter who's dating her. It's Spider-Man. After years of maintaining his secret identity so the people in Peter's life could be safe, he's making a go of it as the web-slinger instead!

That sure sounds healthy!

Uhh…Sure! Read on to find out if Spidey can make it work!

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Kingpin's Penthouse.
Manhattan.
SPIDER-MAN! YOU WON'T TAKE ME! YOU WON'T!
WHOA! TINKERER! AN EXO-SUIT! YOU GOT JACKED! NOW YOU'RE LIKE...
...LIKE...
...TINKERER TAILORED: SOLDIER GUY!
zdarsky! kubert! bellaire! lanham!
WOW. YOU REALLY HAD TO WORK TO GET THERE.
HEY! LESS CRITIQUE AND MORE STOPPING TANK SENIOR HERE--NGH!
PHINEAS! YOU FOOL! YOU'RE DESTROYING MY HOME!

A SMALL PRICE TO PAY, FISK--

--TO FINALLY BE RID OF SPIDER-MAN!

KRNKAA!

NHH!

DAMMIT! MY HEAT'S NOT DOING ANYTHING TO THAT SUIT! AND I CAN'T GO FULL NOVA IN HERE!

BANG!

BANG

WELL, IF HEAT'S NOT DOING IT, HOW DO YOU FEEL--

--ABOUT SOME CRYOGENICS?

AHH!

FWA! FWA!

IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN SOME NOVELTY GUN TO STOP THE TINKERER, LITTLE GIRL! I'LL DESTROY YOU AND...

FWA! FWA! FWA! FWA! FWA!

...IT?

THAT GUN...

NNHHH... SPIDEY'S... SKYLIGHTS...NO JOB TOO SMALL... NO...CLIENT TOO BIG...

OH, HEY... ROOFTOP GUARD*...YOU... YOU DOING OKAY?...

MMPH!

SPIDEY!

*ROOFTOP GUARD'S FIRST APPEARANCE WAS IN PETER PARKER: THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN, VOL. 2 #3! IT'S PROBABLY SOLD OUT SINCE THEY ANNOUNCED ROOFTOP GUARD AS PART OF MARVEL'S PHASE NINE LINEUP OF MOVIES!

SPIDEY! COULD USE SOME H-- NFF!

WHUMP

AH, YES. I'D KNOW MY BROTHER'S INFERIOR DESIGNS ANYWHERE!

VIP VIP VIP

UNH!

PHINEAS! ENOUGH! THIS WANTON DESTRUCTION IS USELESS!

WHEN I'M THROUGH WITH YOU, PERHAPS DEAR HOPHNI CAN USE HIS INFERIOR TECH SKILLS--

--TO PUT YOU BACK TOGETHER!

GRAHH!!!
HNH!!!
KNSSH!
I BELIEVE THAT'S THE CUE FOR YOU TO LEAVE.
AND WHERE SHALL I SEND THE BILL FOR DAMAGES?
NNH... I THINK YOU'VE PROBABLY GOT MONEY TO BURN...AND IF I SEE YOU AGAIN...
...I'LL PROVE IT.
FLAME ON!
TINKERER! LISTEN!
NNF!
TOOM!

YOU'RE A LOW-LEVEL VILLAIN! YOUR NAME IS "THE TINKERER"! I THE PHONE SCAM I EXPECT, BUT WHAT'S WITH THREATENING PEOPLE?!
YOU... YOU...INSECT! I WILL HAVE RESPECT!
KRNCH
FROM YOU--
--AND MY BROTHER!!!
BUT FISK IS RIGHT--
--YOU'RE NOT WORTH SACRIFICING ALL I'VE ACCOMPLISHED!
NO!!!

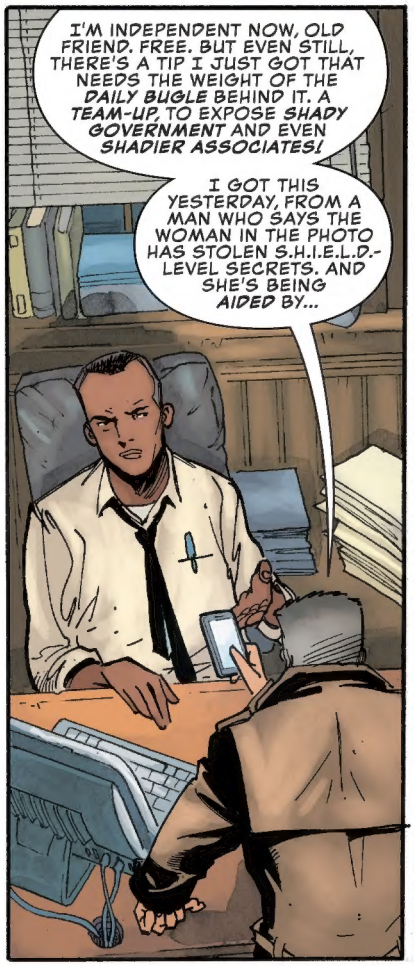
COME ON, WEBS, I HOPE MASON GOT THE KINKS OUT...
THWIP THWIP
RAHH!
SPIDER-MAN! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
MY ARMS HAVE A REAL "MR. FANTASTIC" VIBE RIGHT NOW, BUT YEAH.
TORCH! TINKERER WENT--
ON IT!
ALL RIGHT, OLD MAN! I'VE BEEN *SUPER NICE* TO YOU UNTIL NOW, BUT THIS IS IT!

TORCH! WHAT'S THE DEAL, IS HE--
FZZT
KRNNCH
GRAHHH--

GET ME PICTURES OF SPIDER-MAN: Click the link to submit photos (no payment)
THREATS & MENACES Truth You Can Trust From J. Jonah Jameson
A-WRECK-NID!
Hell's Kitchen gets a taste of Spider-Man's destruction buffet.
IT'S A GOOD-LOOKING SITE, JONAH.

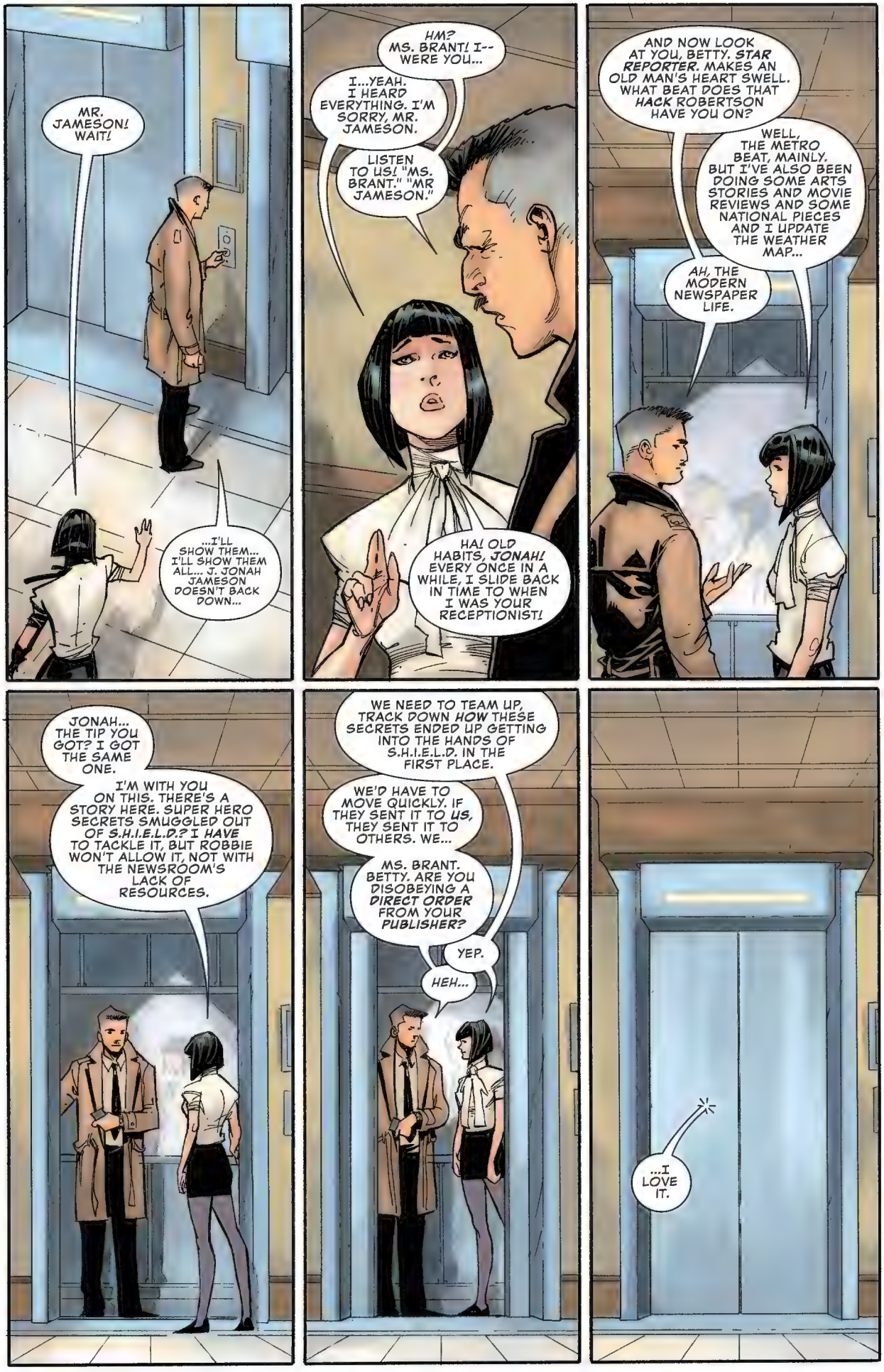
ROBBIE, IT'S MORE THAN A WEBSITE. THIS BLOG HAS REINVENTED ME! REINVIGORATED ME!
"THREATS & MENACES." CATCHY. WELL, I'M GLAD YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING TO FOCUS ON WITH YOUR RETIREMENT.
...RETIREMENT?
A-WRECK-NID

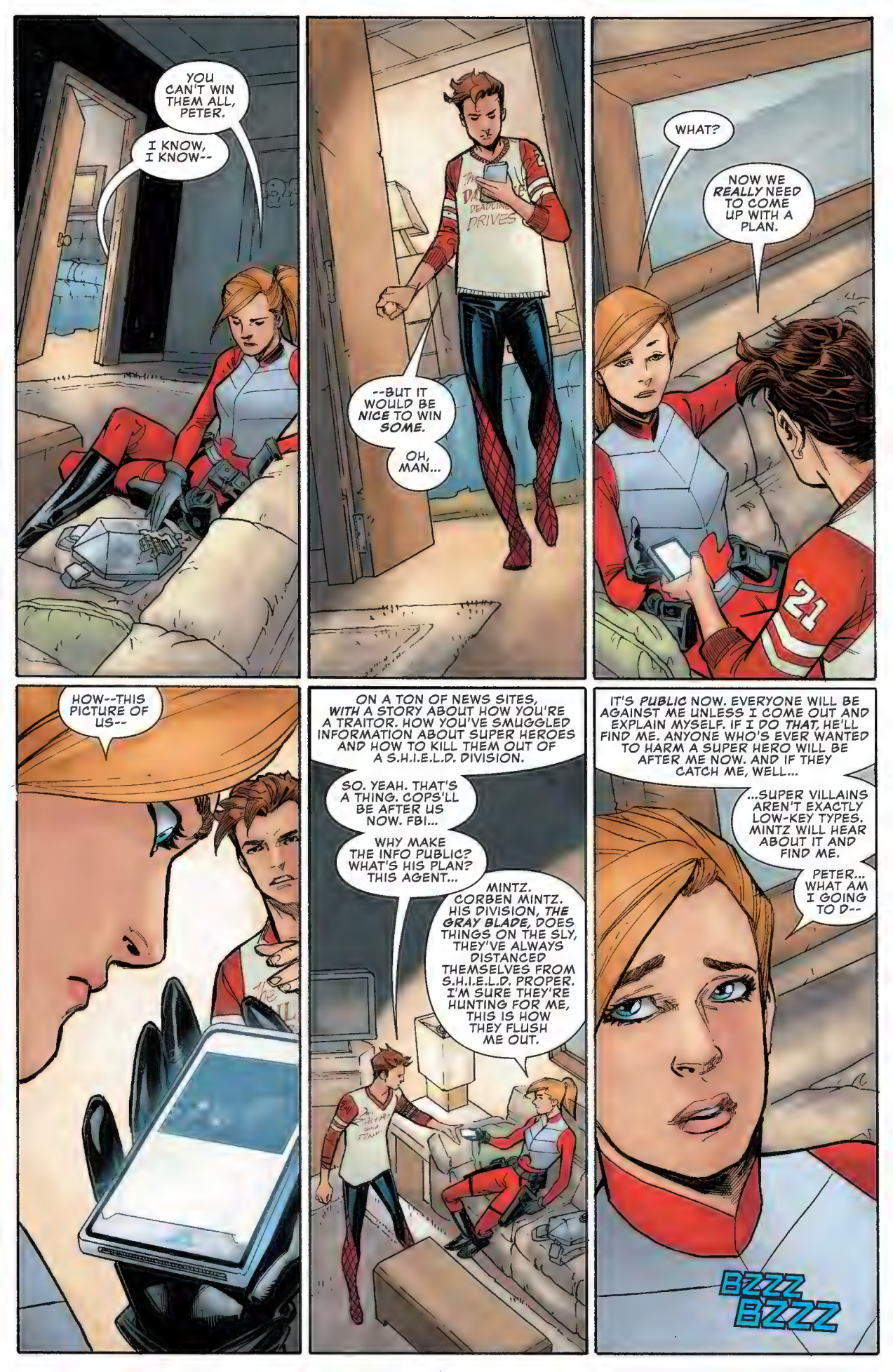
I'M JUST GETTING STARTED! THIS IS THE FUTURE, ROBBIE! GROUND-FLOOR JOURNALISM! DIRECT INTERACTION WITH MY BELOVED PUBLIC! I CAN TAKE DOWN CROOKED POLITICIANS AND VIGILANTE MENACES WITH MY "CELLULAR PHONE"!
WE JUST CALL THEM "PHONES" THESE DAYS, JONAH.


I'M INDEPENDENT NOW, OLD FRIEND. FREE. BUT EVEN STILL, THERE'S A TIP I JUST GOT THAT NEEDS THE WEIGHT OF THE DAILY BUGLE BEHIND IT. A TEAM-UP, TO EXPOSE SHADY GOVERNMENT AND EVEN SHADIER ASSOCIATES!
I GOT THIS YESTERDAY, FROM A MAN WHO SAYS THE WOMAN IN THE PHOTO HAS STOLEN S.H.I.E.L.D.-LEVEL SECRETS. AND SHE'S BEING AIDED BY...

...SPIDER-MAN. IT ALL REEKS, ROBBIE. AND WE NEED TO PUT THAT STINK UNDER THE NOSES OF AS MANY READERS AS POSSIBLE.
WHAT DO YOU SAY?

NO.
I... PARDON?
JONAH. WHEN YOU WERE IN CHARGE HERE, I SOMETIMES DIDN'T AGREE WITH YOUR EDITORIALS, BUT I RAN THEM. NOT BECAUSE YOU WERE THE PUBLISHER, BUT BECAUSE THEY WERE SOLID ARGUMENTS, WELL PRESENTED. THERE WAS THOUGHT BEHIND YOUR WORDS.
BUT YOU'VE JUST SPENT THE LAST YEAR AS AN ON-AIR PERSONALITY FOR A TV NETWORK THAT WAS 100% AGENDA-DRIVEN, WIDER AND MORE INSIDIOUS THAN YOUR UNHEALTHY SPIDER-MAN AGENDA.
I OWE YOU SO MUCH, YOU'RE MY FRIEND, BUT YOUR SLANT HAS WORSENED. THE PUBLIC KNOWS IT AND OUR READERS WILL KNOW IT. I JUST CAN'T AFFORD TO ASSOCIATE THE BUGLE WITH YOU RIGHT NOW. I'M SORRY.
I...HOW DARE YOU?! I BUILT THIS PAPER! WE BUILT THIS PAPER!
LOOK, MAYBE IN A YEAR OR SO, BUT NOT--
YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE MY FRIEND!
EVEN IF WE WEREN'T FRIENDS, THIS IS A STORY. A BIG STORY! AND IF YOU CAN'T SEE THAT, THEN MAYBE J. JONAH JAMESON DOESN'T WANT TO ASSOCIATE WITH YOU!
JONAH, YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND. WE'RE IN A PRECARIOUS SITUATION THESE DAYS. THE POLITICS OF EVERYTHING HAS BEEN HEIGHTENED AND--
LISTEN TO YOU! YOU'RE A CAMPAIGN MANAGER, NOT A PUBLISHER!
?
BOOKMARK MY SITE AND FILE IT UNDER "PULITZERS," ROBERTSON!
I KNOW MY WAY OUT!


MR. JAMESON! WAIT!
...I'LL SHOW THEM... I'LL SHOW THEM ALL... J. JONAH JAMESON DOESN'T BACK DOWN...
HM? MS. BRANT! I-- WERE YOU...
I...YEAH. I HEARD EVERYTHING. I'M SORRY, MR. JAMESON.
LISTEN TO US! "MS. BRANT." "MR JAMESON."
HA! OLD HABITS, JONAH! EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE, I SLIDE BACK IN TIME TO WHEN I WAS YOUR RECEPTIONIST!
AND NOW LOOK AT YOU, BETTY. STAR REPORTER. MAKES AN OLD MAN'S HEART SWELL. WHAT BEAT DOES THAT HACK ROBERTSON HAVE YOU ON?
WELL, THE METRO BEAT, MAINLY. BUT I'VE ALSO BEEN DOING SOME ARTS STORIES AND MOVIE REVIEWS AND SOME NATIONAL PIECES AND I UPDATE THE WEATHER MAP...
AH, THE MODERN NEWSPAPER LIFE.
JONAH... THE TIP YOU GOT? I GOT THE SAME ONE.
I'M WITH YOU ON THIS. THERE'S A STORY HERE. SUPER HERO SECRETS SMUGGLED OUT OF S.H.I.E.L.D.? I HAVE TO TACKLE IT, BUT ROBBIE WON'T ALLOW IT, NOT WITH THE NEWSROOM'S LACK OF RESOURCES.
WE NEED TO TEAM UP, TRACK DOWN HOW THESE SECRETS ENDED UP GETTING INTO THE HANDS OF S.H.I.E.L.D. IN THE FIRST PLACE.
WE'D HAVE TO MOVE QUICKLY. IF THEY SENT IT TO US, THEY SENT IT TO OTHERS. WE...
MS. BRANT. BETTY. ARE YOU DISOBEYING A DIRECT ORDER FROM YOUR PUBLISHER?
YEP.
HEH...
...I LOVE IT.

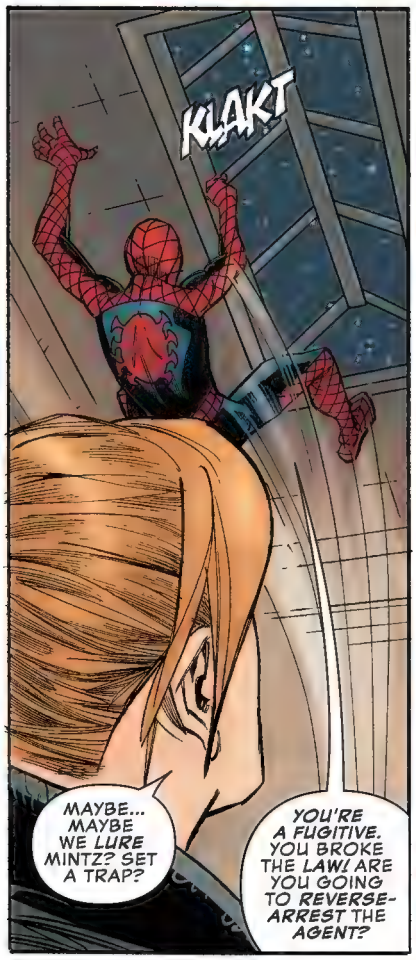

YOU CAN'T WIN THEM ALL, PETER.
I KNOW, I KNOW--
--BUT IT WOULD BE NICE TO WIN SOME.
OH, MAN...
WHAT?
NOW WE REALLY NEED TO COME UP WITH A PLAN.
HOW--THIS PICTURE OF US--
ON A TON OF NEWS SITES, WITH A STORY ABOUT HOW YOU'RE A TRAITOR. HOW YOU'VE SMUGGLED INFORMATION ABOUT SUPER HEROES AND HOW TO KILL THEM OUT OF A S.H.I.E.L.D. DIVISION.
SO. YEAH. THAT'S A THING. COPS'LL BE AFTER US NOW. FBI...
WHY MAKE THE INFO PUBLIC? WHAT'S HIS PLAN? THIS AGENT...
MINTZ. CORBEN MINTZ. HIS DIVISION, THE GRAY BLADE, DOES THINGS ON THE SLY, THEY'VE ALWAYS DISTANCED THEMSELVES FROM S.H.I.E.L.D. PROPER. I'M SURE THEY'RE HUNTING FOR ME, THIS IS HOW THEY FLUSH ME OUT.
IT'S PUBLIC NOW. EVERYONE WILL BE AGAINST ME UNLESS I COME OUT AND EXPLAIN MYSELF. IF I DO THAT, HE'LL FIND ME. ANYONE WHO'S EVER WANTED TO HARM A SUPER HERO WILL BE AFTER ME NOW. AND IF THEY CATCH ME, WELL...
...SUPER VILLAINS AREN'T EXACTLY LOW-KEY TYPES. MINTZ WILL HEAR ABOUT IT AND FIND ME.
PETER... WHAT AM I GOING TO D--
BZZZ BZZZ

HOLD THAT THOUGHT.
PHONE CALL? WHO EVEN CALLS PEOPLE ANYMORE BESIDES ELDERLY AUNTS...
BZZZ BZZZ
HELLO?...
IS THIS PETER PARKER?
THE ONE, THE ONLY, THE ALLITERATIVE.
MR. PARKER...
...MY NAME IS SPECIAL AGENT MINTZ, ON ASSIGNMENT WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.
AGENT... MINTZ.
CORRECT. AS I'M SURE YOU HAVE NOTICED, YOUR EMPLOYEE, SPIDER-MAN, WAS RECENTLY SEEN AIDING A FUGITIVE, MS. TERESA DURAND.
WE WOULD LOVE TO TALK TO YOUR BODYGUARD. WOULD THAT BE POSSIBLE? IS HE GUARDING YOUR BODY RIGHT NOW, PERHAPS?
I...HE'S NOT. CALLED IN...CALLED IN SICK. BUT I'LL, Y'KNOW, PASS THE MESSAGE ON...
WONDERFUL. CALL THIS NUMBER ANY TIME, MR. PARKER. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE.
SURE, SURE, BYE NOW.
BEEP
WE'VE GOT TO GO. NOW.

HE KNOWS SPIDER-MAN IS MY "BODYGUARD"! I JUST MADE IT ONTO THE HARBORING A FUGITIVE LIST! THEY MAY EVEN BE WATCHING THE BUILDING NOW!
DAMMIT! WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?!
I DON'T KNOW!
the DAILY BUGLE
DEADLINE DRIVES

WE CAN'T GO TO S.H.I.E.L.D. 'CAUSE THEY'RE THE PROBLEM! MINTZ HAS ALREADY INFILTRATED THE FBI, AND IF WE GO TO THE BUGLE THEN HE'LL FIND US! BESIDES, WHO KNOWS IF THE MEDIA WILL TAKE YOUR SIDE, AND EVEN IF THEY DO, HOW WILL IT HELP AGAINST YOU BEING ARRESTED?!

WE NEED TO HIDE YOU, BUY MORE TIME!
PETE! I CAN'T HIDE FOREVER!
OH, SORRY, DO YOU HAVE A PLAN?!


KLAK!
MAYBE... MAYBE WE LURE MINTZ? SET A TRAP?
YOU'RE A FUGITIVE. YOU BROKE THE LAW! ARE YOU GOING TO REVERSE-ARREST THE AGENT?

WE NEED TO HIDE YOU. MINTZ FOR SURE HAS STAKED OUT ANY SUPER HEROES, AND NOW ANYONE CONNECTED TO PETER PARKER...
...BUT I THINK I KNOW WHO WE CAN GO TO...
TRUST ME?

MADCAP'S COMEDY CLUB
TONIGHT!
FRESH NEW STANDUP!
LOW COVER TO REFLECT THAT!
$5!
DOORS AT 9!
BUT FROM, Y'KNOW, WHERE I STAND--
--THERE WAS NOTHING SECRET ABOUT THAT INVASION!
HA HA HA!
GUYS, IT'S BEEN GREAT, BUT THE RED LIGHT MEANS I'VE GOT TO GO!
DON'T FORGET TO TIP YOUR WAITRESSES, BUT DO NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, TIP THE COMEDIANS--
--AS IT ONLY...ONLY ENCOURAGES THEM...
HA HA HA!
UH... GOOD NIGHT, GUYS...
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP!
CLAP CLAP!
CLAP CLAP!
CLAP!
GIVE IT UP FOR REBECCA LONDON!
WHAT ARE YOU--
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP!
THAT WAS GREAT AND I NEED TO TALK TO YOU, BUT I ALSO REALLY NEED TO ACHIEVE THIS DREAM.

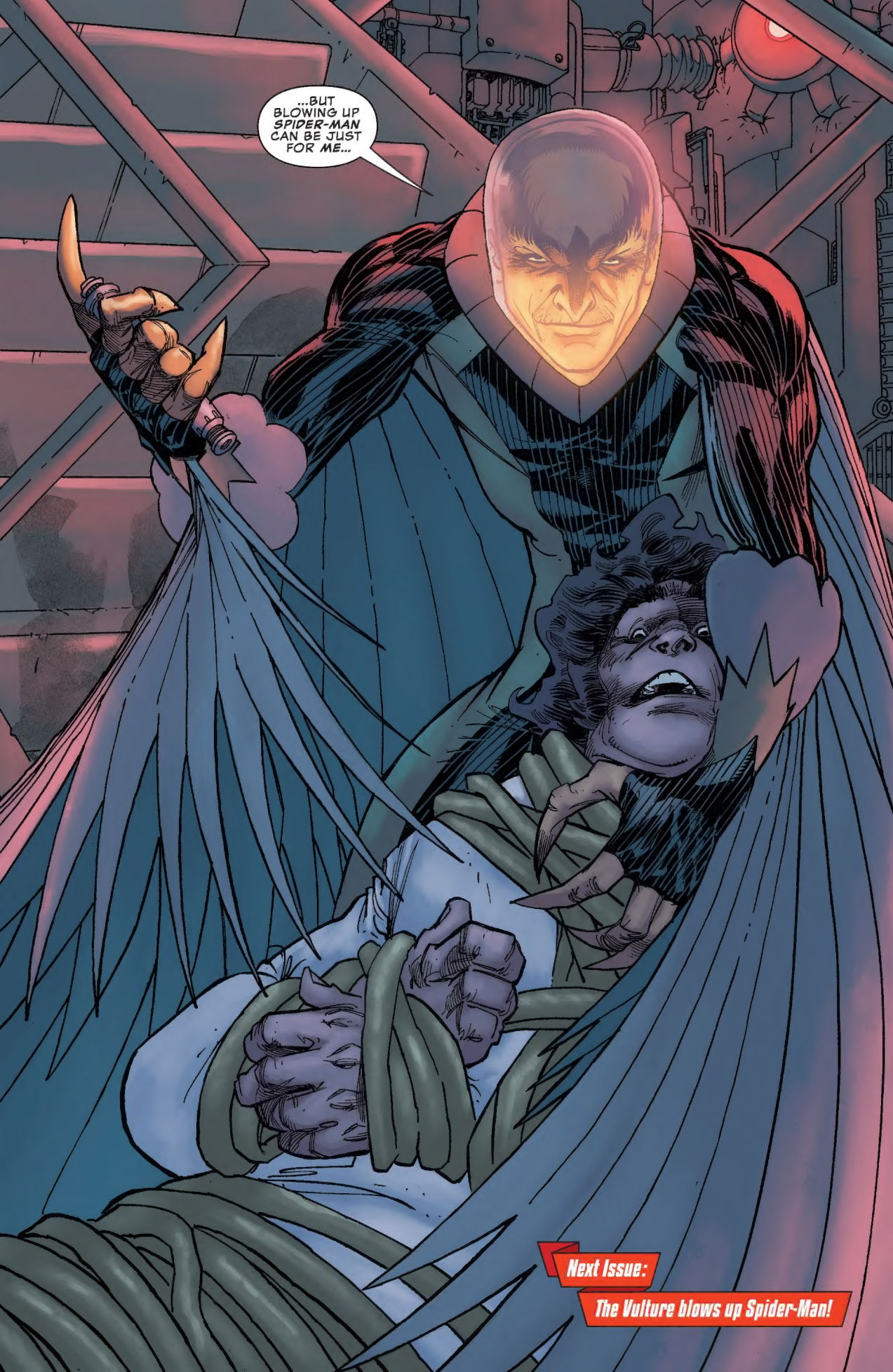
NEXT UP WE HAVE--
--AHH!
PLEASE LET ME DO THIS. I'VE HAD A TIGHT FIVE IN MY BACK POCKET FOR FOREVER.
BEING SPIDER-MAN IS PRETTY GREAT, I CAN'T LIE. BUT IF I COULD DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN? I WOULD NOT NAME MYSELF AFTER SOMETHING SO GROSS AND CREEPY. MAYBE SOMETHING MORE ADORABLE AND LESS OFF-PUTTING, Y'KNOW?
LIKE SPIDER-PUPPY OR SOMETHING!
HEH HEH
I DON'T KNOW. MAYBE CHANGING MY NAME WOULD HELP MY IMAGE, OR MAYBE I SHOULD JUST GO BACK TO SCHOOL AND EARN SOME ACADEMIC RESPECT. BUT THE WHOLE "HIGHER EDUCATION" SYSTEM JUST SEEMS SO COMPLICATED THESE DAYS!
YOU GET YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE, THEN YOU GET YOUR MASTER'S, THEN YOU BECOME A DOCTOR, AND THEN YOU BECOME AN OCTOPUS!
COUGH
HEH. UH...A LOT OF PEOPLE ASK ME, IF I'M BASED ON A SPIDER, THEN WHY IS MY COSTUME RED AND BLUE?
WHO CARES?
WELL, TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH--
--IT'S TO HIDE ALL THE RED BLOOD AND BLUE BRUISES I GET SAVING YOUR LIVES LIKE ALL THE TIME EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE SO MEAN TO ME AND, AND--
UH, HA HA, LET'S, UH, GIVE IT UP FOR SPIDER-MAN, I GUESS.
BOOO!!!
I HATE YOU!

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THAT ISN'T THE WORST I'VE SEEN. TOOK DEADPOOL, LIKE, A DOZEN SETS TO FIND HIS GROOVE.
HAR HAR.
LOOK, I'M HERE TO *SUPPORT* YOU, OBVIOUSLY, BUT I ALSO NEED SOME HELP.
SMAP...
SMAP...
YOU *KNOW* WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE KEEPING A *LOW* PROFILE, MR. COMEDY?
HA HA, UH, OOPS. THIS IS, UH... MS. T. SHE NEEDS TO LIE *LOW* FOR A FEW DAYS AND SHE'LL BE IN DANGER IF SHE'S WITH ME.
HI.
WOULD YOU...WOULD IT BE OKAY IF SHE CRASHES AT YOUR PLACE FOR A BIT? PLEASE?
WOW.
NO. THERE IS *ZERO* CHANCE OF THAT.
NO NO NO.
WHAT?! JUST FOR A FEW DAYS! I PROMISE!
YOU *DID* JUST SAY SHE'S IN *DANGER,* YEAH?
ONLY IF SHE'S WITH *ME!*
VERY REASSURING!
LOOK, I'M SURE IN *YOUR* WORLD, HARBORING SOMEONE WHO IS IN DANGER WITH A *FAKE NAME* IS PERFECTLY NORMAL, BUT FOR SOMEONE LIKE *ME* THAT'S A FOURTH, MAYBE *FIFTH* DATE THING.

BUT--
LOOK...
...I'VE GOT A RULE FOR HANGING OUT WITH YOU. THE SECOND I FEEL LIKE I'M IN DANGER, I'M GONE.
I'M NOT GOING TO BE THE FRIEND WHO GETS KIDNAPPED BY A LIZARD-MAN, OR TURNED INTO A GOBLIN.
CONTRARY TO WHAT WE ALL JUST WITNESSED, I THINK YOU'RE FUNNY, AND I ENJOY HANGING OUT WITH YOU, SO DON'T PUT ME IN A POSITION TO WALK AWAY FROM THAT.
NOW, PARDON ME. I GOTTA MAKE SURE I'M STILL GETTING PAID, OR IF IT'S ALL GOING TO THE AUDIENCE RELIEF FUND AFTER YOUR ACT.
OH MAN... I'M SORRY. I THOUGHT THAT WOULD WORK...
IT'S OKAY. SHE'S RIGHT. WE CAN'T EXPECT TO PUT OTHERS IN DANGER BECAUSE OF ME. I NEED TO BE ABLE TO PROTECT MYSELF.
AND STEP ONE WILL BE TO FIX THIS.
I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE THAT BAD.
THANKS.
MADCAP'S COMEDY CLUB

Ten minutes later.
The Mason's lab.
ALL RIGHT. SO FAR, SO GOOD. IF WE KEEP OUR MOVEMENTS TO NIGHTTIME, WE SHOULD BE SAFER.
MAYBE MASON MIGHT HAVE AN IDEA OF WHAT WE COULD DO, OR--
--WAIT. IS THE DOOR SUPPOSED TO BE OPEN LIKE THAT?
DEFINITELY NOT. SPIDEY-SENSE IS NAGGING AT ME. LET'S GO IN CAREFULLY.
GOT IT.
OH, I DON'T LIKE THE LOOK OF THIS AT ALL.
IS THIS A COINCIDENCE? DID SOMEBODY KNOW WE'VE BEEN HERE?
I WOULDN'T RULE IT OUT, OR--
NNHHHH...

UATU!
NNHH... SP-SPIDEY? 'ZAT YOU?...
WHAT HAPPENED?! ARE YOU OKAY? WHERE'S MASON?!
N-NOT SAFE... GO...
BUT WHERE--
BEEP
OH, WHAT A *TREAT*. I WAS JUST SUPPOSED TO BLOW UP THE *LAB* FOR *THE TINKERER*...


...BUT BLOWING UP SPIDER-MAN CAN BE JUST FOR ME...
Next Issue:
The Vulture blows up Spider-Man!

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FAN NON-FICTION

Old people are TERRIFYING.

Well, it's not really that Vulture is old, right? It's that he has razor wings and crazy eyes.

I guess. Seems to be gilding the lily, if you know what I mean.

Anyway, WELCOME BACK to FAN NON-FICTION! Boy, Spidey and his crew are in some serious trouble. We just MET Mason. I hope he comes out of this okay. Thanks for the tremendous response to this series. It's been a joy to make and we're glad you're all enjoying it! But you don't have to take MY word for it…

Oh man!

The first two issues have been great! I love the return to Spidey's roots with him swinging around (mostly) NYC! My favorite part, though, has to be seeing Spidey and his interactions with his old pal the Human Torch! The dynamic friendship is nailed perfectly! Nice to see the return of Pete's "sis"! And Kubert's art is perfect for this title! I can't wait for the next issues!

Matt Strawbridge

Thanks for the kind words, Matt. Chip and Adam are great, and when you add Jordie to the mix…

Matt, I hate to break it to you and your family, but straw is not a great material to build bridges out of. Haven't you heard the Three Little Pigs' story?

Guys,

I left Marvel a couple of years ago, after reading and collecting Spider-Man comics for nearly 25 years...

All these #1s, every three months, along the changing titles in New This, All New That, was killing me off. So I left AMAZING SPIDER-MAN in the middle of his Superior run. Without regrets!!!

And then yesterday I saw this one. PETER PARKER: THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #1 and #2...by Zdarsky???

Isn't that the guy from *Sex Criminals*?

I bought both issues, had a lot of fun and was well entertained. This is the real Spider-Man!!! I'm looking forward for the next couple of issues, until the old renumbering gets back, with a new creative team, that had a huge success in All All New Blue Uncanny Golden X-Men.

And no, I will not buy and read AMAZING...

Thanks for the fun,
Marcelo Figueiredo
Warendorf, Germany

UNMITIGATED PRAISE! I love these letters that just shower us in compliments.

Glad you're liking this title, Marcelo. I'm a little shocked that you feel quite so negatively toward those other books, but to each their own!

Hello, SPECTACULAR team at Marvel,

I've been meaning to write since the first issue and I'm glad I'm able to write now right after the second issue. Honestly I'm not that familiar with Chip's writing and I haven't been reading any Spider-Man books for a few years now. I'm glad to have picked up a copy and though I was a little bit lost at first, it wasn't that hard to catch up.

I'm curious about the new characters introduced in this book. They made me want to start a pull list with my LCS. Thanks for the Toronto reference where Rebecca's from originally--it might not seem a big thing to some, but having that reference made me want to care about this book more since I work every weekday in downtown Toronto. It just made me feel good. Hey I can even hope that Spidey might visit the city in the book one of these days!

Thanks for having Human Torch be a part of this book for now, it's good to see this side of Peter having interactions with his peers. Good to know that Jameson is around, though from what I gathered he's not running the *Bugle* anymore and he's got a blog against Spider-Man going on, I wonder why (pardon my ignorance)? Anyway, I'm looking forward to reading the next issue and it's nice to see something that I was familiar with brought into a new light.

Keep up the great work.
Thanks in advance,
Raymond

Ah, Canada. I once spent a weekend--

ENOUGH OF YOU! It was Toronto's own Chip Zdarsky that set Rebecca's home city, so–

DID CHIP SET YOU UP TO THIS?! THAT'S COLLUSION AND I WON'T STAND FOR IT!

Anyway, Jonah split from the *Bugle* when he got elected Mayor. When his time as Hizzoner ended he went to work for the cable news FACT CHANNEL, but that ended in shame when Jonah hitched his wagon to Spider-Villain the Jackal.

I last boxed my comics up over 20 years ago when I was in the Navy. I opened them after I talked to my nephew with Aspergers syndrome on the 4th of July. All he talks about revolves around them...and Deadpool. The PETER PARKER: THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN story is more than I expected, more entertaining than expected, and I can't wait to read more. The opening narrative, angles of the story, asterisk info and comments, along with some great art. I found my new subscription. Thank you all!

Paul Anthony Art

PS--An exceptionally drawn double page makes the comic... double better!? lol

Finally a letter from an Old Navy employee--

He's a veteran from the Navy, you nincompoop. First, thanks for your service! Second, thanks for your letter! So glad your brilliant nephew (I mean, he's out there hyping THIS book) re-introduced you to the best books in the world! We'll continue to do our best to make this the best Spider-Book of all time!

I love the new SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN book. It feels like Peter Parker is finally returning to his roots. Only Peter could go on a date in full costume while wearing a blazer and feel natural. Having him back to being a friendly neighborhood Spider-Man instead of being the international neighbor is refreshing. This is the first Chip Zdarsky and Adam Kubert book I have ever gotten, and I definitely look forward to more SPECTACULAR :). My daughter Helena recently got into Spider-Man books because of the True Believers dollar books. She mostly watched the *Ultimate Spider-Man* show before. She's four, and this is another fun series I'll be able to share with her.

Michael Fraser

The date in masks and blazers was based on my life, Michael. I recommend it to everyone.

He's not looking for dating advice! Anyway, aren't those True Believer books great?! Only four and Helena's already hooked? That's my kind of fan!

Dear Spider-Crew of the SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN,

I would like to start off by saying I really love this new series as much as I love the ASM series. This series showed us more of the Parker luck and his friendship with the Human Torch, but I do have one question. Is Spider-Man's suit in PPSSM (PETER PARKER THE SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN) the same one as in ASM, because he has to wear it instead of the suit covering him like in recent ASM issues. Thank you for the great stories and keep up the good work.

Sincerely,
Asher Tewdros

Thanks for writing, Asher. Peter's wearing the ASM suit in this book, it's just through the wonderful Kubert/Bellaire lens.

I plan on selling Kubert/Bellaire lensed glasses worldwide this fall.

I have no idea what that means, but I do know we're out of space here, so come on back in a month for the next scintillating issue #5!!!

Nick

AND NICK!!!

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